

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 9676

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Mieko SAKAI et al.

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Serial No. 09/830,060

Group Art Unit 1714

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Examiner K. Wyrozebski Lee

HIGH-HARDNESS, SOFT COMPOSITE MATERIAL

## **REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Applicants are filing a response to the Office Action of October 23, 2002 concurrently herewith, which they feel places the present application in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner is of the opinion that there are any remaining issues which must be addressed before allowance, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney before issuing another Office Action, to arrange for an interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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